

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

Case No. 7:97-cr-63-M-2

Case No. 7:23-cv-1052-M

JIMMY RAY WAKEFIELD,

Petitioner,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Respondent.

ORDER

This matter comes before the court on Petitioner's motion to hold in abeyance the pending pro se § 2255 motion [DE 377]. For good cause shown, the motion is GRANTED. The pending pro se § 2255 motion [ECF 374] is held in abeyance pending a ruling on Petitioner's earlier-filed First Step Act motion [ECF 319].

Also before the court is the United States' motion to extend time to respond to Petitioner's pending pro se § 2255 Motion [DE 379]. In light of the court's decision to hold in abeyance Petitioner's § 2255 motion, the United States' motion is DENIED as MOOT.

SO ORDERED this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.



RICHARD E. MYERS II  
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE